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Jan 26, 1999

US-PAT-NO: 5864845

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5864845 A

TITLE: Facilitating world wide web searches utilizing a multiple search engine query clustering fusion strategy

DATE-ISSUED: January 26, 1999

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Lintz; Paul R.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Ahmed; Adel A.

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TITLE: Web site registration method with multiple search engines in internet

INVENTOR: HOEKSTRA, M

PATENT-ASSIGNEE: INTEL CORP (ITLC)

PRIORITY-DATA: 1996US-0707667 (September 4, 1996)

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ABSTRACTED-PUB-NO: US 5905862A

## BASIC-ABSTRACT:

NOVELTY - Map data and web site description corresponding to data fields of a search engine (210) is stored in database (222) in HTML form. The method of registration of web site to each engine is also stored in database. By transmitting the registration method data and by mapping the web site data to search engine the web site is registered.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for a web site registration apparatus for registering web site with several search engines.

USE - For world wide web.

ADVANTAGE - The problem of difficulty in registering web site with a strangely formatted registration page of search engine is overcome by performing automatic registration of web sites with search engines.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows components in a networked computer system.

Search engines 210,240

Database 222

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CHOSEN-DRAWING: Dwg.2/5

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